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St. Louis is on the boom! The births for the past year exceeded the deaths by 4249, and numbered 14,358. It this keeps up we expect to see the big town by the muddy river in the million class, the goal of her present ambition, before many years go by.

The committee appointed by the stockholders of the late National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City to examine the affairs of that institution is in favor of re-opening the bank at once. They say that the bank's general condition is good, and that there is nothing in the way of its resumption.

As an indication that the financial situation is loosening up, the Frisco announces that it will want all the men it can get by the 10th of this month, for construction and other work. It will not be much longer until those on the retired list will be only those who are there by choice.

Now that the New year has fairly started, let us resolve, each of us, to make it better than any year that has gone, and especially better than the last one. Some of us have been pretty good, but none have been too good but they can see room for improvement. Do the best you can. There is no danger of doing too well.

The year 1908 will be followed in by a total eclipse of the sun, visible in South America, and as a partial eclipse here. Among the other important events of the first of the year will be the going into effect of the Georgia prohibition law, which will take place the first.

The officers and men on the United States fleet were well entertained during the few days the fleet stopped at Port of Spain, Trinidad. The English governor took care of the officers, while the jacks had their usual good time while on shore leave, enjoying themselves in ball games and other forms of good clean American sport.

The state judicial convention of Missouri is in session at St. Louis, with Judge Fox, of the Supreme court, in the chair. It is likely that the divorce laws of the state will be the main subject of discussion at this session. It is evident that something needs to be done in this matter, and no persons are better to decide what than those on whom rests the interpretation of the laws as they are on the statute books.

A recent map showing the progress of local option in Missouri looks pretty shady. Sixty-two counties, or five more than half of the number in the state are now dry, and over half of them have voted that way in the past six months. The matter is to be voted on in two or three other counties in the near future. The state anti-saloon league is talking of making an effort to have a prohibition amendment to the state constitution adopted. In view of the progress being made toward aridity by local option methods, it seems nearly a waste of time and money to fight this question out at present.

A suit has been commenced in the United States district court at New York City by one of the negro soldiers discharged for alleged complicity in the riots at Brownsville, Texas, for \$122,50, the amount of pay due him since his dismissal, alleging that his discharge was illegal. The outcome of the case will be watched with much interest by all, as there was much comment, both favorable and unfavorable, regarding the president's action in this case. It is understood that a number of New England men of wealth and prominence are backing the colored man in his suit, holding, with the Irishman, that "One man is as good as another and a whole lot better."

The theatrical managers of Kansas City, as well as most of those engaged in other lines of work, have concluded to obey Judge Wallace's Sunday closing edict, and there will be no Sunday shows from this time on. You can make a man cease from labor on the Sabbath by means of law, but we have always wondered if it were better for a man to stay at home on the seventh day of the week and curse the law that forced him to be idle, or to be busy at his place of business. And another thing we would like to know. Is the man who does the work on the sacred day, or the ones who create the demand for his labor, the one most to blame in the matter? The Republican is a respecter of the Sabbath day, but believes that the best way to insure its observance is by training, not by coercion.

A Strenuous Task.

"I don't see why you should be exercised," the judge said to the witness. "You look well enough." "But just think of it, you honor," said the witness. "I've done stood on this here stand an' told the truth for two hours on a stretch."

Presidents, Possums and Politics.

A night with only a faint suggestion of light coming through thin, moist clouds is the night for a raccoon hunt, and we opine that it is equally good for hunting the possum down near the Virginia Coast. It was down toward that coast the beast was first found and reported to Europe as a discovery hardly less in importance than that of the country itself. A humid night is best for hunting possums, and if Roosevelt luck is running at Pine Knob, there must have been humid nights there since the president reached the place. At any rate, he has fixed his dates for possum hunting, and if the weather is not humid it may be so much the worse for the men in charge of the Weather Bureau at Washington.

Thinking of what John Burroughs has just said of how he distanced the president in getting over the timber lands of the Yellowstone region, we are in doubt as to whether the president can come out at his best in a possum hunt. "He is rather heavy for that kind of work," says Burroughs, telling only of daylight walks. The trials of a heavy man, in nocturnal sprints through dark woods, following the scent and the prey, are infinitely harder than any sort of daylight jaunting. But if he likes the sport he will have it, and there's an end of it. Only it may be a fortunate thing that the camera is impossible on these night hunts. A view of the president of this glorious republic sprawling in the possum chase would not contribute to our national vanities. It is fun for the ordinary, and it is fun for Today, but after all, let us be as democratic and republican as we may, and there will still be things we would rather realize in a subjective than an objective way. We know, of course, that he will get his bumps. No man or boy who ever went coon hunting or possum hunting failed to get them, even when more nimble than any man of his girth can possibly be. We know, too, that he will take his bumps without a grunt. None the less do we rejoice, as Americans with a proper spirit of national pride, that night will cover with a mantle of charity, the time and place when and where he gets them.

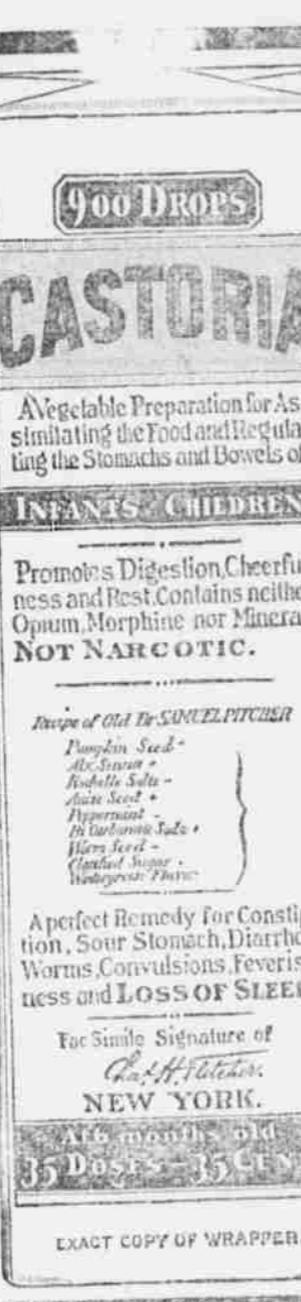
The president knows the distinguishing characteristic of the possum, but it might pay him to make a special study of it now, when men long believed to be dead and buried in the Amazons Club are showing such signs of returning animation and activity that no doubt can remain that they have been to the possum, considered its ways and grown wise. There has appeared to be, during the last ten days or two weeks, something like a resurgence in places where the earth once seemed to swallow up close over divers and sundry "undesirable citizens," who had apparently succumbed to fate, not without groaning and lamentation, but with what seemed like final resignation to the inevitable. Mighty hunter as he is in the pursuit of bear, the woods are getting full of signs that he has been fooled by people who have played possum on him and who are not as dead as they have long seemed. "Dear Bellamy" of Cincinnati has been pricking up his ears of late. William E. Chandler of New Hampshire has been heard to his between set teeth. Mr. Harriman, who had let go his prehistoric tail-hold on the highest limb of the tree of the forbidden fruit, and had hit the ground with a dull thud, has lately been heard to rustle. Senator Foraker, whose silence had deceived even more than the president, springs suddenly to his feet as the dogs are called off, and after holding the president responsible for the pinch, declares his policies unsafe and any man receiving his support dangerous. The president has a great deal yet to learn about possum hunting. Doubtless he will take no chances in the Virginia woods. Possums once downed will not there be given a chance to get up again, or, if they are, they will add to the bumps which the president is already in for from possums he thought dead and who are yet to give him a run for more and harder bumps than any he will get in Albermarle county.

Military Epigrams.

Col. Philip Reade, of the Twenty-third United States Infantry, is the author of the following "epigrams of the range." "The ultimate of the soldier's profession is to know when and where and how to pull the trigger;" "other things being equal, that soldier who can hit with measurable accuracy what he aims at is the best soldier;" "the way to learn how to hit is to find out why you miss;" "brains must be mixed with gunpowder;" "soldiers who are not good shooters are apt to be turned into good shooters;" "most good shots are made good shots by systematic instruction and practice."

Woes of the Druggist.

"If you want to meet the limit of nerve," remarked a druggist, "you must keep a drug store. Most people seem to think the place is for public accommodation, without the necessity of any real patronage on their part. We have had a good many nervous requests, but one the other day capped the climax. It was raining hard and a woman we didn't know, who lived three blocks away, telephoned us to take refuge substitutes. Sold by all Druggists."



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The citizens of San Jose suffered and waited in patience and grinned and bore it with the billboards man until in San Francisco, presumably not to be a victim, the billboard was introduced in the unprinted manner and got the word of it. In short, it is the demand of the citizens of the city, the council passed ordinances regulating the billboards and manufacturers with authority given the police department to take down and remove any boards or signs which are displeasing to the public. If upon this notice, the billboard dealers do not neglect to reschedule. Otherwise, they may be fined and a right the price of it or more. The same impunity by legislation passed by him through the aid of some of the municipal authorities, and lost out. In deciding the case Judge Curtis of the superior court said:

"That which is offensive to the eyes, or to public morals is a subject for police regulation, just as indecent colors or other substances. A man has a right to do as he pleases in the display of his billboards in the interest of the public than he would have to offend the sense of smell by setting sulphur on the corners of the streets of the city."

All of which is respectfully submitted to the municipality of Cincinnati and to the membership of the municipal art committee of the business men's club, which has done much good work in the combat against the offensive, the vulgar and the indecent display of the billboard. The decision of the California court would not be binding on Cincinnati, but it would be strongly persuasive of the law determining the question of what constitutes a nuisance. If there can be a nuisance more pronounced than an innocent billboard display especially on Sunday mornings, the nature of the greater indecency is not known—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Solemn Speaking.

Concussion is probably not only when a child is actually hurt. Some mothers think that all crying is badness. It is not. When your baby cries, look for pain or some external cause. If you can't find them, give the body White's Crown Vaseline, as the babies are it is suffering from worms which keep it hungry and cross till the time passes to sleep—Inunction, Price 25 cents. Sold by J. W. Owens, Peotone, Ill.

Where the Shoe Pinches.

If they don't suit making that child cry, so that the fat dweller as his wife suffers pitifully through the constipation, it will not help to stop it. "It is not fitting to apply to the board of health and have it stopped, Please I am in pain only when a child is actually hurt. Some mothers think that all crying is badness. It is not. When your baby cries, look for pain or some external cause. If you can't find them, give the body White's Crown Vaseline, as the babies are it is suffering from worms which keep it hungry and cross till the time passes to sleep—Inunction, Price 25 cents. Sold by J. W. Owens, Peotone, Ill.

Untouched Morocco.

Open your atlas at the map of Africa and there, set like a jewel on the northern shoulder of the continent, you will see a country called Morocco. It borders on Europe at the narrowest part there is but one mile of strait between it and Spain, so you might think the Moors had become quite civilized in the course of ages through having such cultivated neighbors so near. It is not so, however.

And strange to say, the more they see of western progress, the more they despise it. It is a big country, this Morocco, and explorers have left it alone, for the native decent Christians, fearing lest they want to take away from them their level land, where it is always summer, and where the soil, if just scratched with a crooked stick, responds with a teeming harvest.

Warning in Time.

In his desire to use fine language, the darky of the south frequently allows his ideas to become a trifle confused, as well as confusing. A handbill announcing a "colored picnic" to be held in a grove near Mobile was once freely circulated. After various enticing announcements concerning the delights in store for the partakers in this entertainment, the bill concluded with the following perplexing notice, printed in italics: "Good behavior will be strictly and reservedly enjoined upon all present, and nothing will be left undone which will tend to mar the pleasure of the company." —Harper's Weekly.

Whalebone Worth Millions.

A century ago, when whalebone was worth no more than ten cents a pound, few vessels brought any home. From 1844 to the outbreak of the civil war, the output averaged about 2,800,000 pounds annually, the greatest for one year being 5,682,300 pounds in 1853, and the price increased to one dollar a pound. Since 1860 there has been a steady decrease in the output. The total amount of whalebone landed in America in the course of the nineteenth century exceeded 90,000,000 pounds, worth at the present market valuation about \$40,000,000, a sum that would make the possessor one of the richest men in the world, if not the richest of all.

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